

**BELLA VISTA WATER DISTRICT****BOARD OF DIRECTORS****April 24, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Bella Vista Water District was called to order by the President of the Board at 5:30 p.m., at the District office.

Board Members Present:

President	-	Jim Smith
Vice-President	-	Bob Nash
Director	-	Ted Bambino
Director	-	Jeff Steppat
Director	-	Leimone Waite (arrived at 6:06 PM)

Board Members Absent:

Director	-	None
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Officers and Staff Present:

General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer	-	David Coxey
District Engineer	-	Don Groundwater
Office Manager	-	Connie M. Wade

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Public Comment

Customer Kimberly Cook said someone tapped into her line and we should check into that and they are getting free water on Deschutes Road and the Board should check into that. Stated she paid her bills every 3 months.

- 3 Consent Calendar:
  - 3-1 Approval of Minutes of March 27, 2017, Regular Meeting
  - 3-2 Financial Reports for Month Ending March 2017

**RECOMMENDATION: Approval and Adoption of all items on the Consent Calendar.**

**M/S:** [Steppat/Nash] The Board approved and accepted the consent calendar items as presented. Director Nash had a question about minutes number nine. Director Nash also had a question about the deficit expense for water.

**AYE:** Bambino, Nash, Smith, and Steppat; **NAY:** None; **ABSENT:** Waite

Old Business:

**4. WY2016-2017 Water Delivery Update**

District Engineer, Don Groundwater updated the Board on water usage. We are just one month in with March coming in at 220 AF, which is approximately one-half of 2016 March's usage. We have a full supply plus our ACID water transfer and have plenty to sell. Director Smith asked what was the most water we ever sold, Don said that it was around 17,000 AF. March reduction was at 46% so we are well within our conservation target. Don discussed water conservation.

Discussion only.

New Business:

**5. Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA/JPIA) Update**

General Manager, David Coxey explained that Mr. Bruce Rupp had planned to come to present the check but unfortunately he had to cancel. David complimented staff and especially Don, as the Safety Officer, on the training that is received which keeps our claims low. Director Steppat commented on how important the trainings are.

Discussion Only.

Leimone Waite joined at 6:06 PM.

**6. Public Hearing regarding Memorandum of Understanding forming the Enterprise-Anderson Groundwater Sustainability Agency**

**a. Presentation**

David explained we are the last agency signatory to join the GSA. If we do not join by June 30<sup>th</sup> then the State will handle the implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and charge fees to all "extractors". David explained the process of the GSA's authority, cost share and voting structure. We are going to meet the required deadlines and this will align ourselves with an upcoming grant funding opportunity. Director Smith stated he was concerned with the costs. David explained the three principle objectives of the MOU – comply with SGMA, ensure sustainability, and keep costs as low as practicable. General discussion regarding this issue with the Board was heard. David explained we will need an elected official to serve as the Districts representative as well as an alternative.

**b. Public Hearing**

Director Smith opened the public hearing at 6:21 pm for public comment. No written communication has been received and no one from the public spoke. The public hearing was closed at 6:22.

**c. Consider Adoption of Resolution 17-04**

**M/S:** [Waite/Nash] Director Waite recommended adoption of Resolution 17-04.

**AYE:** Bambino, Nash, Smith, Steppat and Waite; **NAY:** None; **ABSENT:** None

**7. Consider Adoption of Resolution 17-05 in Support of Association of California Water Agencies' Policy Statement on Bay-Delta Flow Requirements.**

David explained that ACWA recognizes that the Bay-Delta Flow requirements for outflow as a percentage of "unimpaired flows" being contemplated by the State Water Resources Control Board is a big problem that will not accomplish environmental objectives. ACWA is seeking broad of this matter. David discussed the demographics of the infrastructure.

**M/S:** [Waite/Steppat] The Board authorized adoption of Resolution 17-05 in Support of ACWA's policy statement on Bay-Delta Flow Requirements.

**AYE:** Bambino, Nash, Smith, Steppat and Waite; **NAY:** None; **ABSENT:** None

**8. Long-Term Conservation Report Proposed Legislation**

David explained the report on Long-Term conservation and pending legislation. This is a plan to ostensibly make conservation a way of life. This is heavy handed approach by the State to allocate water. There are some things we can live with but the heavy handed approach doesn't allow for much local control. The strategy is to introduce legislation before the current administration forces this through a budget trailer bill. Support letters were mailed along with coalition letters with broad support. David is requesting formal ratification of support and coalition letters on this matter.

**M/S:** [Waite/Nash] The Board authorized ratification of the previous letters sent and provided general direction for further correspondence in opposition to the administration's budget trailer bills and in support of coalition supported legislation.

**AYE:** Bambino, Nash, Smith, Steppat and Waite **NAY:** None; **ABSENT:** None

**Reports and Communications**

**9. Engineer's Report**

Don updated the Board on the shop building, which is almost completed. District staff will be doing the interior work to construct a bathroom, shower and locker room as well as construction of the concrete approach. The Akrich Street water main replacement project will be beginning soon. We have the Olympia Way waterline replacement project starting design; it's located East of Dry Creek Road. We did get the draft report back on the pipeline assessment and will be sharing the final report with the Board at a later date.

## **10. Manager's Report**

David reported on the extraordinary winter precipitation and new record for the 8-Station index at 92.6" of precipitation that is 207% of average to date! As a result, CVP supply allocation are now 100% for both north and south of Delta contractors. District operations have shifted from groundwater to surface water since March 15<sup>th</sup> and for the foreseeable future. Departments are working on their 2017-2018 project planning and budgets.

## **11. Board Members' Comments and Reports**

Director Nash went over his recent televised interview regarding water supply availability. Director Smith read a note from ACWA/JPIA thanking the District for hosting a training.

### **Adjourned to Closed Session: 6:55 PM**

Conference with Real Property Negotiators David J. Coxey, General Manager. Property: Real property - a portion of APN: 061-470-080-000.

Reconvened to open session at 7:20 PM.

The Board President announced that direction was provided to the General Manager and no action was taken while in closed session.

Adjourned meeting at 8:35 PM

